UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF MICHIGAN SOUTHERN DIVISION

MICHAEL P. HOLMES,

Case No. 12-11625

Plaintiff,

Honorable Arthur J. Tarnow Senior United States District Judge

v.

ANGELA T. HOLMES.

Defendant.

ORDER DENYING PLAINTIFF'S MOTION FOR APPOINTMENT OF COUNSEL [23]

On August 9, 2012, the Court held a phone conference in this case. Plaintiff requested that the Court appoint counsel on his behalf. On August 13, 2012, Plaintiff filed a Motion for Appointment of Counsel [23]. The parties appeared for a scheduled evidentiary hearing on August 16, 2012.

At the hearing, the Court notified Plaintiff that there was an attorney interested in representing him, if he was open to postponing the hearing so that the attorney could become familiar with the case. Plaintiff refused and stated that he would prefer to represent himself.

Accordingly,

IT IS ORDERED that Plaintiff's Motion for Appointment of Counsel [23] is DENIED. IT IS SO ORDERED.

<u>s/Arthur J. Tarnow</u>Arthur J. TarnowSenior United States District Judge

Dated: August 23, 2012